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Vocabulary:

"Malala the Powerful"

Directions: Read the following definitions and example sentences. Then add two more words from the article.

1. defy (dee-FYE) *verb*; 1. to boldly resist or refuse to obey; 2. to challenge or dare someone to do something

example 1: I don't dare defy my grandmother. If she tells me to stop texting, I stop!

example 2: I defy you to find a more delicious sandwich than this one.

2. envision (en-VIZH-uhn) *verb*; to picture in one's mind, especially some future event

example: "How do I envision myself in 10 years? Living in an old farmhouse with a bunch of animals and a vegetable garden," said Jenny, dreamily.

3. oppressive (uh-PRES-iv) *adjective*; 1. cruel or harsh; 2. causing discomfort by being excessive or intense

example 1: The people suffered under the oppressive ruler.

example 2: "Ugh," said Jillian. "This heat is oppressive. It's zapped all of my energy."

4. plague (pleyg) 1. *verb*; to trouble, annoy, or torment in some manner; 2. *noun*; a widespread disease, affliction, calamity, or evil

example 1: Jonathan was plagued by negative thoughts. An endless stream of worries ran through his mind.

example 2: In history class, we learned about the Black Death, a disastrous plague that killed millions of people in 14th-century Europe.

5. pseudonym (SOOD-uh-nim) *noun*; a false name used to conceal one's identity

example: Samuel Langhorne Clemens, the author of *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, is better known by his pseudonym, Mark Twain.

6. refugee (REF-yoo-jee) *noun*; a person who is forced to leave his or her home because of war, persecution, or a natural disaster

example: The camp provided shelter for thousands of refugees who were displaced by the earthquake.

7. rural (RUHR-al) *adjective*; having to do with the countryside or farming

example: "I could never live in a place like New York City," Anne said. "I like the beauty and peacefulness of rural America."

8. unwittingly (uhn-WIT-ting-lee) *adverb*; not done on purpose; unknowingly

example: Though Ricardo didn't mean any harm with his joke, he unwittingly hurt my feelings.

9. vigil (VIJ-uhl) *noun*; 1. a period of keeping awake during the time usually spent asleep, especially to keep watch, pray, or mourn a loss; 2. an act or period of attentive watching

example 1: Numerous candlelight vigils were held across the city to honor the victims of the hurricane.

example 2: Joe kept vigil at the bedside of his sick father.

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